

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Callegari et al.      Docket: YOR920000655US2 (8728-446 DIV)  
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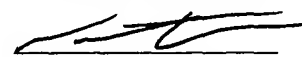
Before examination of the above application on the merits, kindly enter the present  
Preliminary Amendment.

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